GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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UPGRADATION OF VISAKHAPATNAM AIRPORT
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to develop an International Airport Visakhapatnam in Andhra Pradesh for the development of tourism and promotion of industries;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a), (b) & (c) :- There is no proposal, at present, to set up an international airport at Visakhapatnam in Andhra Pradesh. However, the airport a t Visakhapatnam i s being developed at an approximate cost of Rs.105 crores excluding the cost of land. It has been proposed to construct a new runway of dimension 10,000 ft. X 150 ft. suitable for operation of Medium Capacity Long Range (MCLR) category of aircraft at Visakhapatnam airport. There are also proposals for construction of new apron, link taxiway; installation of navigational aids and Ground Lighting facilities for all weather operation, provision of boundary wall, perimeter road, sub-fire station, approach road etc. and construction of a new integrated terminal building to handle domestic as well as international passengers.